IN THE CLAIMS

Upon entry of the present amendment, the status of the claims will be as is shown below. The present listing of claims replaces all previous versions and listings of claims in the present application.

1-8 (Cancelled)

9. (Currently Amended) An electronic still camera comprising:

a memory that stores a discrete image obtained in a still photographing operation, and that stores, for each of a plurality of discrete images sequentially obtained in a continual still image photographing operation in which the plurality of discrete images are taken at an interval time set by an operator, a unique indicator that indicates whether said discrete image was sequentially recorded in the continual still image photographing operation;

a determination processor that determines whether the plurality of discrete images were obtained in said continual still image photographing operation; and

an image processor that continually reproduces said plurality of discrete images, as performs a common operation on said plurality of discrete images, at a same interval as that of said continual still image photographing operation, when it is determined, using said unique indicator, that said plurality of discrete images were obtained in said continual still image photographing operation.

10. (Previously Presented) The electronic still camera of claim 9, wherein said

image processor continually reproduces said plurality of discrete images as the common operation.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Previously Presented) The electronic still camera of claim 9, wherein said image processor continually deletes said plurality of discrete images as the common operation.

13. (Previously Presented) The electronic still camera of claim 9, wherein said determination processor determines whether said plurality of discrete images were obtained in said continual still image photographing operation by reading image recording information recorded for each of said plurality of discrete images.

14. (Previously Presented) The electronic still camera of claim 13, wherein said image recording information comprises a continual-image flag recorded in a header area corresponding to an image recording area in which a discrete image is recorded.

15. (Currently Amended) An electronic still camera, comprising:

a recording processor that continually records a plurality of discrete images at a predetermined interval set by an operator in a continual still image photographing operation in which the plurality of discrete images are taken; and

a memory that stores, for each of said plurality of discrete images, a unique indicator that indicates whether said discrete image was sequentially recorded in the continual still image photographing operation,

wherein the unique indicator enables the plurality of discrete images to be

continually displayed as discrete images at a same interval as that of said continual still image photographing operation.

16. (Previously Presented) The electronic still camera of claim 15, further comprising:

an image processor that continually performs a common operation on said plurality of discrete images.